# Crop Protection Stewardship Initiatives

Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee



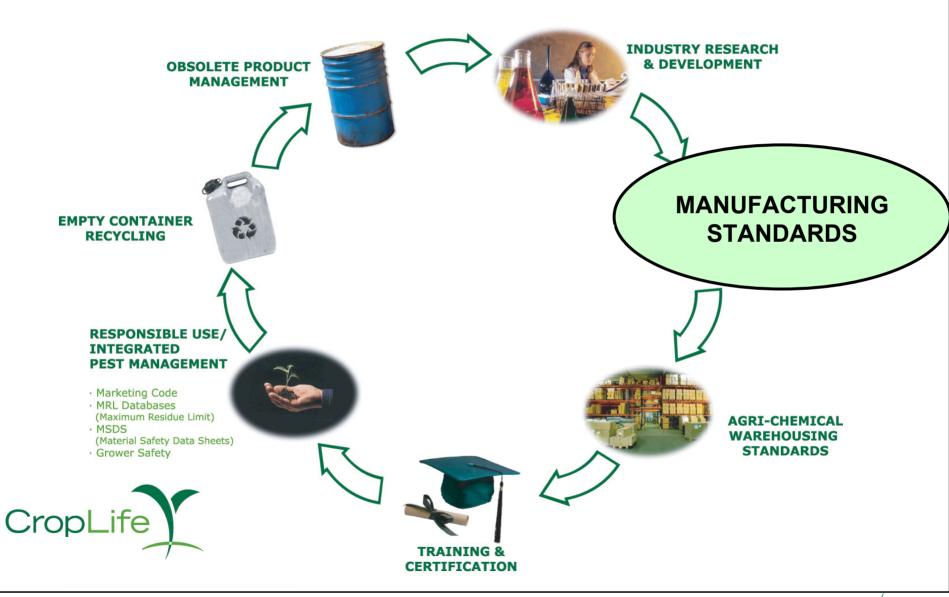
## Today's Objective

 Discuss some of the programs that are in place today and on the drawing board to steward crop protection products from manufacture to container disposal





**ADVISOR PROGRAM** 





## 2003 Responsible Care® Global Strategic Review

- Responsible Care® currently implemented in 47 countries
  - Content varies
  - Potential opportunity for harmonization
- In 2002, Global CEO review recommended Strategic Review
- Purpose:
  - Define core elements of Responsible Care<sup>®</sup>
  - Allow appropriate regional and national flexibility





## Responsible Care®: Summary of Changes

#### Current Responsible Care®

- Codes of Management Practices
- Management Systems Verification
- Self-evaluation process/Practice in Place
- Surveys, Assessments, performance measures reports
- Company to Company EHS questionnaires
- Company-specific performance goals
- EHS Focus

#### New Responsible Care®

- RC Management System
- → Third Party Certification
  - ACC Performance metrics
- On-line performance tracking report.
- Transparency of company performance and certification status
- ACC Performance metrics
- Integration of EHS with value chain business processes







#### Responsible Care® Codes of Management



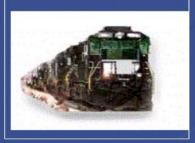


Pollution Prevention





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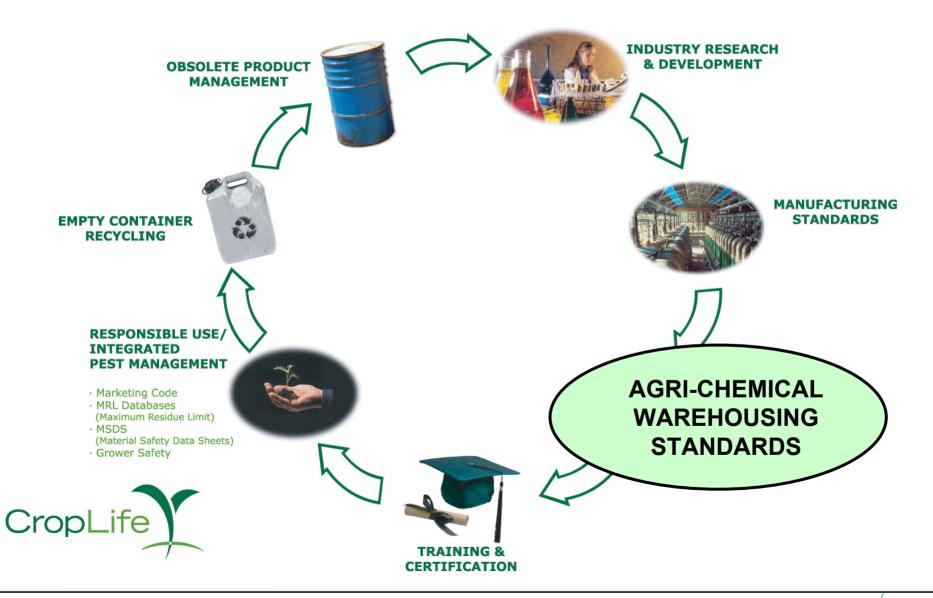
Employee Health and Safety



Product Stewardship

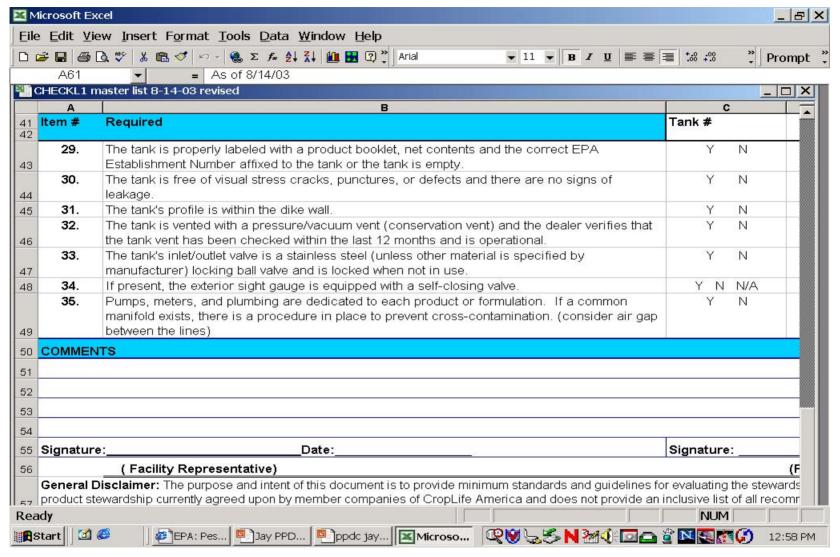




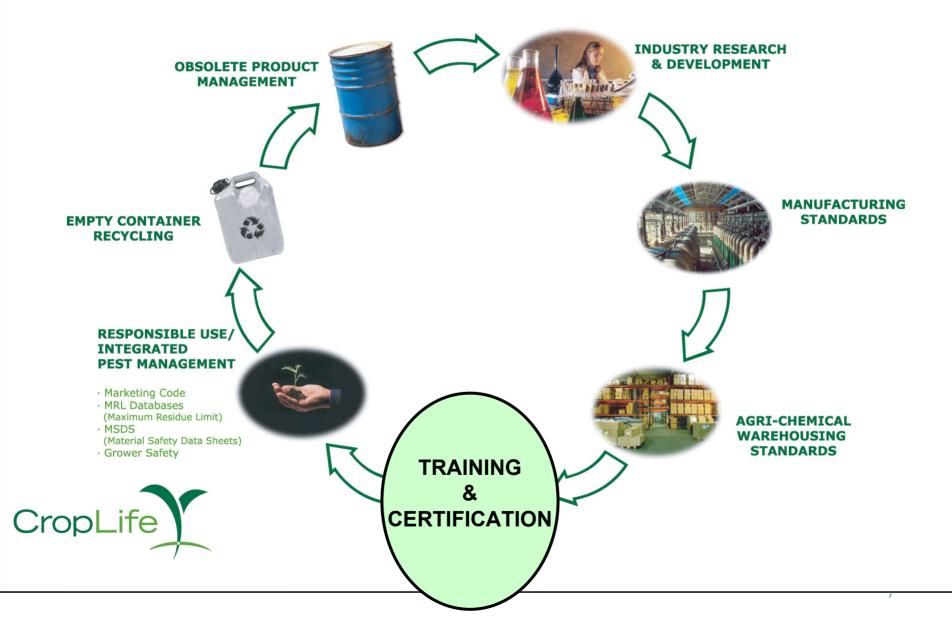


# CropLife America Retail Facility Accreditation Program

- CLA and ARA are working cooperatively to develop stewardship standards for the storage and security of bulk, minibulk, and package products.
- Standards will be applied through an accreditation program that includes third party inspection.
- A pilot test is being conducted of a checklist based on the standards
- CLA plans to adopt a condition of membership that requires members to use the accreditation program or equivalent

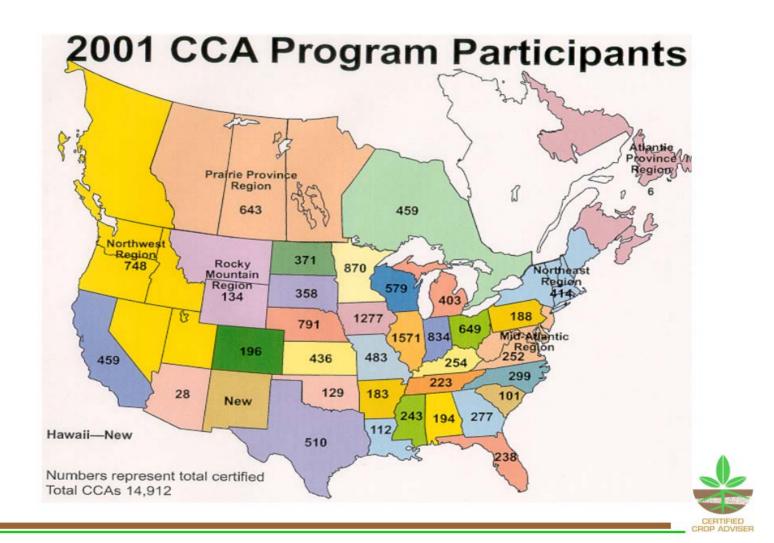




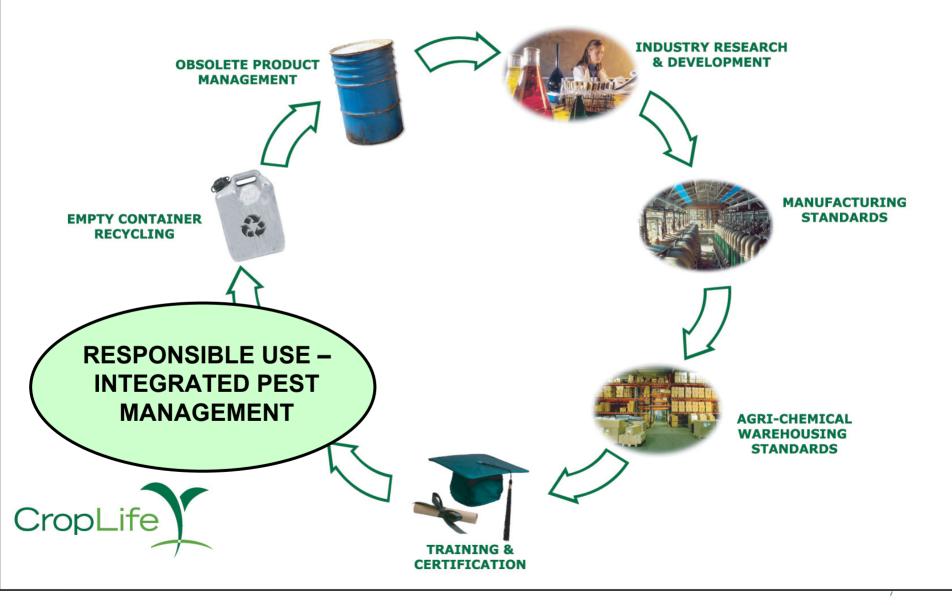


## Certified Crop Adviser Program

- CCA sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy
- 14,000 registrants working with farmers across the U.S.
- Certification exams and continuing education requirements
- Recognized by USDA as technical service providers (TSP) for nutrient and pest management planning







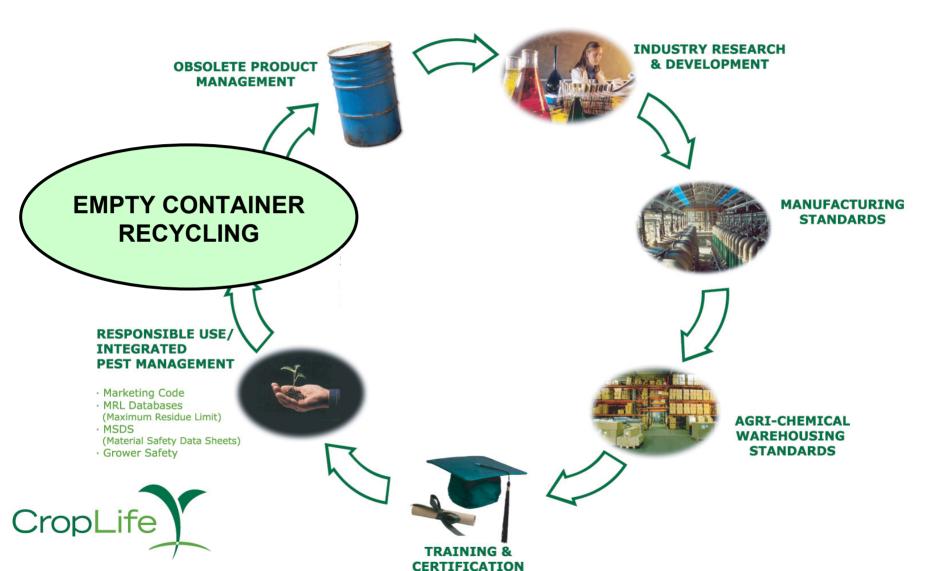
### International Stewardship

- CLA is a part of CropLife International and is involved in stewardship activities
  - \$30 M for African Stockpile program
  - Safe Use program with projects in Africa, Asia, and Latin America partnering with NGOs and agencies
  - Supports FAO definition of IPM that emphasizes a healthy crop, least disruption to ecosystem and encouraging natural pest control



## International Stewardship

- CLA, CL Latin America, and EPA's Certification and Worker Protection Branch working together to develop worker safety training in Honduras
  - Combine lesson learned from EPA's Mexico Train the Trainer program and CropLife Safe Use program in Latin America
  - Identify quality materials from both programs to create new curriculum and field test in 2004 in Honduras
  - Develop program to train the trainer over a five year cycle
  - Develop evaluation methodology for materials and training effectiveness



## The Ag Container Recycling Council



- In 1988, farmers and applicators identified lack of acceptable disposal options for containers as a major problem. The crop protection industry responded by creating the Ag Container Recycling Council (ACRC).
- The ACRC is a non-profit organization that collects and recycles non-refillable HDPE crop protection product containers

### What ACRC does

- In partnership with local and state agencies, ACRC collects HDPE containers nationwide from farmers and applicators at no charge.
- Educates farmers and applicators that recycling is important in safeguarding people and the environment.
- Oversees recycling of HDPE into safe approved end-uses and helps develop new products.

#### **ACRC** Members

ACRC is currently supported by 31 members of CropLife America listed below and 6 supporting affiliates.

- Agriliance,LLC
- AMVAC Corp.
- Bayer CropScience
- BASF Corp.
- Becker Underwood, Inc.
- Cerexagri,Inc.
- Certis USA
- Cheminova, Inc.
- Crompton Corp.
- Dow AgroSciences, LLC
- DuPont Crop Protection
- FMC Corp.
- Gowan Co.
- Griffin, LLC
- GROWMARK, Inc.

- Gustafson, LLC
- Helena Chemical Co.
- ISK Americas Inc.
- Makhteshim-Agan NA
- Monsanto Co. Crop Protection
- Nichino America, Inc.
- ■Nufarm
- ■PBI-Gordon Corp.
- RiceCo, LLC
- SePRO Corp.
- Syngenta Crop Protection
- ■Tenkoz, Inc.
- ■United Agri Products, Inc.
- ■United Phosphorus, Inc.
- ■Valent USA Corp.
- Wilbur Ellis Co.



## Thank You

Questions?

